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For: **NAVIGATION APPARATUS, NAVIGATION MAP DATA  
ACQUISITION METHOD AND COMPUTER-READABLE  
RECORDED MEDIUM IN WHICH NAVIGATION MAP DATA  
ACQUISITION PROGRAM IS RECORDED**

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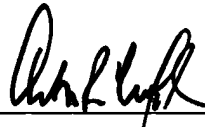
Sir:

As suggested by 37 C.F.R. 1.97, the undersigned attorney brings to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office the reference listed on the attached form PTO-1449, a copy of which is enclosed. This is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no better prior art exists, or that a reference is relevant merely because cited. The cited document is mentioned on the first page of the instant application specification.

The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO-1449 and to return a copy of the initialed document to the undersigned as an indication that the attached reference has been considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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